Protect Your Children From Lead Poisoning!



CALL:

Lead Safe Housing Program
Dept. of Housing & Community
Development
City of Greensboro
(336) 373-3624

Make your Home or Rental Property LEAD SAFE!

Free Blood Screening* for

Children under 6 and Information about Lead Poisoning

CALL:

Guilford County
Department of Public Health
Environmental Health Division
(336) 641-7777

Test your Child for Lead Poisoning and Find Out More about the Dangers of Lead!

* A blood screening is done by a finger prick.

Why is Lead Harmful?

- Causes health, behavior, and learning problems for young children (especially for children under 6 years of age).
- Results in severe permanent injury from continued exposure.
- Harms unborn babies and causes difficulties for pregnant mothers.

Where are Lead Hazards Found?

- Interior or exterior painted surfaces that are chipping, cracking, or peeling and friction surfaces like windows and doors.
- Dust, bare soil, varnish, water, and plastic mini blinds.
- Homes built before 1978 may contain lead paint.

Protect Your Family!

- Get your child tested for lead poisoning.
- Have your home tested for lead or ask your landlord about lead in your home (if built before 1978).
- · Have your child wash hands often.
- Keep areas where children play dust-free and clean.
- Wash bottles and pacifiers when they fall on the floor.
- Wash toys and stuffed animals regularly.
- Mop floor, wipe window ledges, and chewable surfaces with all purpose cleaner or automatic dishwasher detergent and warm water.
- Encourage children to play in grassy areas instead of in the dirt which could contain lead.
- Make sure animals or people don't bring lead in your home from outdoors (lead can stick to pets and people's clothing and shoes).